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## Burial Fees – Wisconsin State Veterans Cemeteries Effective as of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021

The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs operates three State Veterans Cemeteries. Although there is no charge to the family for the interment of a qualified veteran, Wisconsin does receive Federal VA reimbursement for each veteran interment – currently \$828 – to apply towards the state's costs for the interment. To bring service fees in line with costs as permitted by VA 14.02, Wisconsin Administrative Code, the Wisconsin State Veterans Cemeteries located at Spooner, King and Union Grove post the new burial fee schedule below, effective 30 days from the date of this notice on **December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**. These fees continue to be one-third to one-half of similar rates at private cemeteries.

<b>Interment/Burial Fee:</b> (spouse/dependent children) (The burial fee does not apply to the burial of a veteran)	\$828.00
<b>Disinterment Fee - casket:</b> (veteran/spouse/dependent children)	\$1,150.00
<b>Disinterment Fee - cremation:</b> (veteran/spouse/dependent children)	\$700.00
<b>Outside Burial Vault Fee:</b> (veteran/spouse/dependent children) (This fee is required when a family decides to have their own vault placed at the cemetery versus using the liner already provided. This fee option applies to the cemeteries at Spooner and Union Grove.)	\$1000.00

Our cemeteries currently operate primarily off program revenue. This revenue consists of the fees listed above, a \$828 plot allowance from the Federal VA for each veteran that is interred, donations, and funds from the Veterans Trust Fund.

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